

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 15 was rejected under §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

The claim has been amended to recite that either of a start and a continue identifier applies.

Withdrawal of the indefiniteness rejection is solicited.

The present Official Action includes an initialed Form PTO-1449. However, the "other document" BHATTI, N. et al.: "Web Server Support for Tiered Services" was not initialed. Applicant respectfully requests an explanation in this regard.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation that the Official Action indicated that claims 2-3, 5, 7-10, and 11-14 were directed to allowable subject matter.

In reliance thereupon, claim 2 has been amended to be in independent form as have claims 3, 7-8, and 10-11.

Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 2. New claim 16 corresponds to original claim 4 but depending from claim 3. Claim 9 has been amended to depend from claim 7. New claim 17 corresponds to claim 9 but depends from claim 8. New claims 18-20 correspond to claim 10, but depend from claims 7-9, respectively.

Original claims 1 and 6 have been canceled.

In view of the above amendments, the pending obviousness rejection is believed moot.

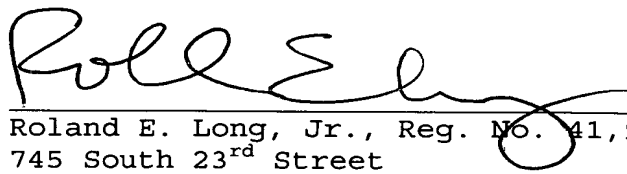
Each of the independent claims includes a claim indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter. Therefore, applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

Please charge the fee of \$264 for the three extra independent claims added herewith, to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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